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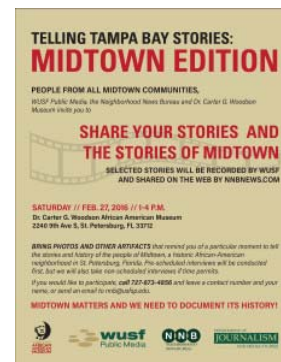
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# TELLING TAMPA BAY STORIES: MIDTOWN EDITION

PEOPLE FROM ALL MIDTOWN COMMUNITIES,

*WUSF Public Media, the Neighborhood News Bureau and Dr. Carter G. Woodson  
Museum invite you to*

## SHARE YOUR STORIES AND THE STORIES OF MIDTOWN

SELECTED STORIES WILL BE RECORDED BY WUSF  
AND SHARED ON THE WEB BY NNBNEWS.COM

**SATURDAY // FEB. 27, 2016 // 1-4 P.M.**

Dr. Carter G. Woodson African American Museum  
2240 9th Ave S, St. Petersburg, FL 33712

*BRING PHOTOS AND OTHER ARTIFACTS that remind you of a particular moment to tell the stories and history of the people of Midtown, a historic African-American neighborhood in St. Petersburg, Florida. Pre-scheduled interviews will be conducted first, but we will also take non-scheduled interviews if time permits.*

*If you would like to participate, call 727-873-4856 and leave a contact number and your name, or send an email to [nnb@usfsp.edu](mailto:nnb@usfsp.edu).*

**MIDTOWN MATTERS AND WE NEED TO DOCUMENT ITS HISTORY!**

